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No. 76536 P/54-2

Dated 15th Nov 1954.

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Roc.No. 621/54.

OFFICE OF THE KARKALA PANCHAYAT,
Dated 8-9-1954.

From

76536

Sri V.Jamaluddin,
Executive Officer,
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara District.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public works Department, Fort St. George, Madras.
Through: The Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards, Madras I, and The Additional District Panchayat Officer, South Kanara, Mangalore.

Sir,

Sub:-Electricity--South Kanara District--Karkala Panchayat--reduction of electricity tarriff rates-- requested.
Ref:-G.O.Memorandum No. 50693-P/54-2 dated 27-7-1954 (Public works Department) addressed to the President, Panchayat Board, Karkala, South Kanara.

I submit that in the above Government order it is informed that it will not be possible or equitable to single out this particular Panchayat for the reduction of tariff rates. The above order was read and considered well by this Panchayat in its meeting held on 30-8-1954. The Panchayat requests the Government to reconsider the matter and to reduce the tariff rates in this Panchayat area which is a thermal station to be in uniformity with the rates prevailing in other parts of the Pykara Electricity system (Hydro Electric).

A copy of the resolution No. 194 dated 30-8-1954 of the Panchayat and a copy of the Government order referred to above are enclosed.

I therefore request that the request of the Panchayat to reduce the Electric Tariff rates in the Panchayat area may kindly be reconsidered for the reasons submitted above and necessary orders may be passed.

8.9.54

EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

Forwarded with the following note of the President, Panchayat Board, Karkala:--

The Karkala Panchayat Board and the Udipi Municipality in this district form the Udipi Thermal area which only for administrative purposes come under the Pykara Electricity System. This is a separate unit by itself as the other units under the System belong to the Hydro-electric supply from Pykara. The tariff rates in the latter are about 3½ or 4 annas plus 25% surcharge for each unit. As you say that a uniform rate for the whole system is to be adopted in fairness either the tariff rates prevailing elsewhere in the System have to be adopted in the thermal area or the tariff rates prevailing in the thermal area viz. 6 annas plus 50% surcharge have to be raised in the areas now served by the Hydro-electric supply from Pykara. The raising of the tariff rates in the other parts is evidently unfair to the residents there and will be stoutly opposed by them whereas the lowering of those rates in this part will be welcome to all in the Pykara system. As the thermal area is comparatively much smaller in extent than the hydro-electric one in this state, the Department will not lose anything due to the lowering of the rates in this part.

The tariff rates prevailing in the thermal area here were fixed by the private concern which started the company about 15 years ago for the purpose. It was fondly

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hoped that after it was taken over by the Government the tariff rates would be reduced to an appreciable extent. Instead it is found that your Department strongly justifying the tariff rates that are the highest in the Pykara Electricity System and perhaps elsewhere in India too.

Regarding the cost of production and other factors on which the tariff rates are based, I must confess I do not know what they are or whether the concern is run on a commercial basis or the public utility basis. Be it what it may. The investment on the scheme made by the Government over a long period is meant to benefit the people in diverse ways. If it is not that what then is the motive of the Government in taking over the private concerns and running them as State-owned schemes? Cheaper tariff rates are an incentive for the residents of the area to go in for service connections for domestic, agricultural, and industrial purposes leading to national development. The cheaper the rates, the greater will be the consumption of electricity which again will lessen the cost of production and maintenance etc. For instance many of the residents wish to take up service connections provided the tariff rates are reduced to the reasonable level. It is the high tariff rate that stands in the way of the middle class shop-owners and house-owners going in for service connections for their buildings. A regular and satisfactory supply for 24 hours also is another factor which induces more and more of the residents taking up the service connections. If the Department gives effect to this long-range policy by taking up the necessary measures, the consumption of electricity will increase to a large extent and naturally the cost of production will work out to be very much less.

Again, regarding the street lighting in the Panchayat area I wish to inform you that about half of the area is not as yet electrified, the chief reason being that the Panchayat Board cannot afford to pay the high tariff rate now prevailing in this thermal area. Since the Board has to adopt a statutory limit of spending not more than 15% of its revenues on Lighting, the electric street lights cannot be put up by it in all the streets with the result that the residents of those localities not served at present by electric street lighting are denied the benefit of the supply for domestic and other purposes even though they have been agitating for the same. If the tariff rates are reduced to the reasonable level, the Panchayat Board will put up more street lights (electric) all over and the residents of the localities served by them will obtain service connections for their buildings, the result being more and more consumption of electric power

In this connection I wish to inform you that there are at present 80 electric street lights and 50 kerosene street lights in this Panchayat, the total cost on this account being about Rs. 5,500/- per year. Our average income per annum being about Rs. 41,000/- the amount that can be spent on lighting in accordance with the statutory limit will be about Rs. 6,150/- only per year. But our present requirements in street lights necessitate the putting up of at least 60 more street lights approximately. The Panchayat Board cannot spend under this particular head of 'Lighting' the necessary extra amount as the statutory limit will be over-stepped by so doing. If the tariff rates are reduced to the level requested by the Board, the Panchayat will be soon able to electrify all its streets and lanes with the result that the residents throughout the area can go in for service connections for domestic, agricultural and industrial purposes. I wish to mention here that this part of the State got the benefit of electric supply very much later than the other parts in the South which have been well-developed all round for the last many years due to the cheap supply of electric power there. Hence, I request you, in fairness to this part which is comparatively undeveloped, to lower the tariff rates to the level of thos obtaining in the Hydroelectric stations elsewhere in this System pending

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a further reduction in the rates, if possible, as a result of the cheap supply ~~of~~ to South Kanara via Karkala from the Jog Power Project in the very near future by the end of this calendar year to give a strong impetus to the residents to take up schemes for the all-round development in the industrial and agricultural lines besides helping them to have cheap power for domestic purposes.

Yours faithfully,

President,
KARKALA PANCHAYAT.

8/9/54

Abstract from the proceedings of the meeting of the Karkala Panchayat held on 30-8-1954 at 5 P.M. in the Panchayat Office.

Present:- ~~Sexxxxxxxx~~ Eight members imcluding the President. 5

Read:-

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194. Memorandum - Public works Department No. 50693-P/54-2 dated 27th July 1953--

Resolve to request the Public works Department to reduce the electricity tariff rates obtaining in this Panchayat area (thermal) to be in uniformity with the rates obtaining in other parts of the Pykara Electricity System (Hydro electric).

Res:- Resolved to request the Public works Department, Madras to reduce the electricity tariff rates to be in uniformity with the rates obtaining in the whole of the Pykara Electricity System, Coimbatore.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Memorandum No. 50693-P/54-2. Dated 27th July 1954.

Sub:-ELECTRICITY--South Kanara District--Karkala Panchayat Board-Memorandum presented to the Minister for Health Requests for reduction of electricity tariff rates and exemption from payment of licence fees for drain coverings.

Ref:-From the Panchayat Board, Karkala, memorandum dated 31st May 1954 present to Minister for Health.

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The Government have carefully examined the following two requests made by the Panchayat Board, Karkala (South Kanara District) in its memorandum cited, and regret their inability to comply with them, for the following reasons:--

(1) Request for reduction of electricity tariff rates in the Karkala Panchayat Board area:-

The Karkala Panchayat Board area falls under the Pykara Electricity System and a uniform tariff rate is charged throughout the system, based on the cost of production and other factors. It will not, therefore, be possible fe or equitable to single out one particular Panchayat area for reduction of the tariff rates.

(2) Request for exemption from Payment fe of Licence fees for drain coverings:

It has been reported to Government that the existing drain coverings are put up more in the interest of getting access to the shops or house entrances and that there are no drain coverings at places where they are quite necessary and essential for the safety of pedestrians. In view of this and also in view of the fact that the Government and the Karkala Panchayat Board can ill-afford to lose any income that is legitimately due to them, the Government consider that this request cannot be complied with.

V.M.VAIDYANATHAN,
Assistant Secretary to Government.

To the President, Panchayat Board, Karkala, South Kanara District
Copy to Health, Education and Local Administration Department with reference to their U.O.Note No. 60029 H.II/54-2, dated 22-6-1954.
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8.9.54

EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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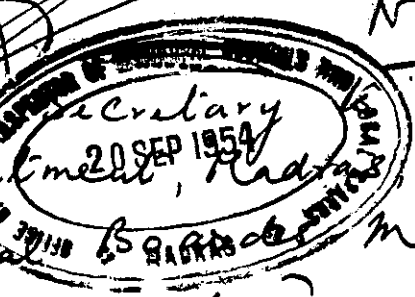
Submitted to the Secretary to Government Public Works Department, Madras through the Inspector of Local Boards, Madras for favour of necessary action



M. Chidambaram
Addl. District Panchayat Officer, 15/9/54.
SOUTH KANARA.

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Office of the Inspector of Mls.
Cls. and Local Boards.
Madras

N. Dis. 43051/54.

dt 25-9-51

Forwarded.

For Inspector

To
The Secretary to Govt. of Public Works Department
Madras

Memo. No. 76536 P/Sec-1079-X54. P.W.D (P2)

Elecy - S. Kanara Dt. Karkala Panchayat - Reduction of elecy tariff rates.

Ref:- From the Ex. Officer, Karkala Panchayat, S. Kanara Dt: Roc. No. 621/54 of 8-9-54

A copy of the ref. cited together with a copy of Govt Memo referred to therein are and an extract from the Memorandum d. 31-5-54 from the Karkala Panchayat are forwarded to the C.O.E. (S) for remarks.

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pp 1-3 c/f

Ex. Engrs Ltr dt 10-11-54

To the C.O.E (S)

with a copy of (Xmplicate and) pp 1-5 c/f 1/L pp 3-4 of (I)

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GOVERNMENT ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT.

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From

The Chief Operation Engineer (South).,
157, Mount Road,
Madras. 2.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

Letter No. 117 J/53-44 dated 6-11-54.

Sir,

SUB: Electricity--South Kanara District Karkala Panchayat--reduction of electricity tariff rates.

REF: Government memo No.76536 P/54-1 P.W. dated 9-10-54.

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The Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat Board, South Kanara in his letter dated 8-9-54 to Government has requested reduction of electricity tariff rates in Karkala Panchayat area to the ~~level~~ obtaining in other parts of hydro electric systems as the cheaper rates would induce more more residents in the area to take up service connections. He has also stated that half of the street lighting in the Panchayat is not yet electrified due to slender resources of the Board and in view of the high rates charged by the Electricity Department. The President of the Panchayat Board, Karkala has pointed out in his note that the tariff rates in Karkala area can be lowered to the level of those obtaining in Pykara Hydro Electric System pending a further reduction of rates after the supply from Jog Power Project is made available to South Kanara via Karkala.

Karkala Panchayat area is being served by the Udipi Thermal Station and the ex-Udipi Electric Licensee's tariff together with 50% surcharge is adopted in the area as per G.O.Ms.No.2483 P.W. dated 16-7-54.

The revision of the existing tariffs and surcharge is under examination separately. Pending detailed examination the existing tariff cannot be reduced as the undertaking is already working at a loss. The Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat may be informed accordingly.

M.Subramaniam
for Chief Operation Engineer (South).

Pdk.10-11.

Roc.No. 621/54.

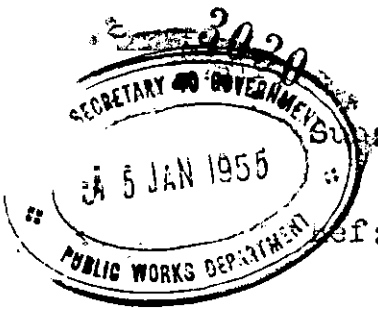
OFFICE OF THE KARKALA PANCHAYAT,
Dated 6-1-1955.

From

Sri R.H.Shenai, B.A.,B.T.,
President,
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara District.

To

The Assistant Secretary to
Government, Public Works
Department, Fort St. George,
M A D R A S.



Sub:-Electricity--South Kanara District--Karkala Panchayat--
Expedition of the ~~Rxvis~~ revision of the existing tariffs
and the abolition of surcharges--requested.

Ref:-Your Memo No. 76536 P/54-2 dated 15-11-1954.

This Panchayat in its resolution No. 323 dated 24-12-1954 has resolved to request the Department of Electricity to expedite the revision of the existing tariffs and to abolish surcharges. A copy of the resolution is enclosed herewith.

PRESIDENT.

Pt.dd(P2)
Sorted for perusal.
No action seems called for.
May be filed with (G)

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Abstract from the proceedings of the meeting of the Karkala Panchayat held on 24-12-1954. 5/

Present:- Seven members including the President.

Read:-

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323. Memo No. 76536 P/54-2 dated 15th November, 1954 of Public works Department (Assistant Secretary to Government of Madras) - Sub:- Electricity--South Kanara District--Karkala Panchayat--Reduction of Electricity tariff rates.

Office note of the President--Resolve to request the Department to expedite the revision of the existing tariffs and surcharge as the consimers complain of the high rates prevailing at present.

Res: Resolved to request the Department of Electricity to expedite the revision of the existing tariffs and to abolish surcharges.

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Vice President.

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PRESIDENT.

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Memo. No. 76536-P/54-207/15/54 P.W.D. (P)

Elecy - S. Kanara Dt - Karkala Panchayat. Reduction of electricity tariff rates.

Ref:- From the Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat - (S. Kanara) letter No: Roc. 621/54 of 8.9.54

From the C.O.E(S) letter No: 117-J/53-44 of 6.11.54.

The Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat is informed that the revision of the existing tariffs and surcharge is under examination separately and pending detailed examination, the existing tariff cannot be reduced as the undertaking is already working at a loss.

2. The C.O.E(S) is requested to submit his proposals for the revision of tariff very early.

Sd/- 13.11.54 — Sd/- 15/11/54

To The Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat.

Thro the Inspr. of Mpl. Chs. & Local Boards: (Para 1 only)

Copy to the Inspector of Municipal Councils & Local Boards (Para 1 only)

Copy to The C.O.E(S) (Paras 1 & 2)

Sd/- 17/11

ON Draft above follows the proposals of the C.O.E(S) at X on p13 c/f. ~~H.E.T.A may see before issue~~

Sd/- 13.11.54. — Sd/- 15/11/54.

Roc. No. 621/54

OFFICE OF THE KARKALA PANCHAYAT, 14-2-1955.

From : 51015

Sri P.Ramachandra,
Executive Officer,
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara.

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To

The Assistant Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort St. George,
Madras.

18 JUN 1955
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Through

The Inspector of Municipal Councils
and Local Boards,
Madras.

and

The Additional District Panchayat Officer,
South Kanara,
Mangalore.

Sir,

Sub:- Electricity - South Kanara District - Karkala Panchayat - expedition of the revision of the existing tariffs and the abolition of surcharges - requested.

Ref:- This office Roc. 621/54 dated 6-1-1955.

While inviting the kind attention of the Assistant Secretary to Government Madras I request that the order regarding the revision of the existing tariffs and to abolish surcharges may kindly be expedited at an early date.

Ramachandra

EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

P.T.O.

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N. Dis 607/55.

Submitted to the Inspector of Local Boards Madras for favour of necessary action.

P. G. Rao 18.2.55

Asstt. Executive Officer,
SOUTH KANARA.

21 FEB 1955

Office of the Inspector of Panchayats & Local Boards
To Madras

28/2/55

N. Dis. 6092/55

Returned. The letter Roc. 621/54 dt 6-1-55 of the E.O. Karkala panchayat said to have been sent has not been received in this office.

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for Inspector

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To the E.O. Karkala Pt.
S. Kanara Dt

KARKALA PANCHAYAT
28 FEB 1955
KARKALA. S. K.

Roc. No. 621/54.

OFFICE OF THE KARKALA PANCHAYAT, 18-4-1955.

From

Sri P.Ramachandra,
Executive Officer,
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara Dist.

To

The Assistant Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Department, Fort
St. George, Madras.
Through: The Inspector of Municipal
Councils and Local Boards, Madras
and The Additional District
Panchayat Officer, S. Kanara.

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Sub:- Electricity - South Kanara District - Karkala Panchayat - expedition of the revision of the existing tariffs and the abolition of surhharges - requested.

Ref:- This office Roc. 621/54 dated 14-2-1955.

Sir,

While inviting the kind attention of the Assistant Secretary to Government Madras I request that the order regarding the revision of the existing tariffs and abolishion of surcharges may kindly be issued at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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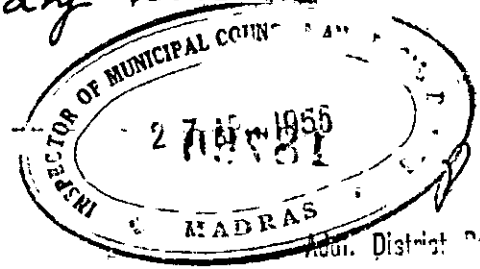
Submitted to the Inspector of Local Boards Madras in Continuation of this office N Dis 607/55 D 18/2/55 for favour of necessary action.



Addl. District Panchayat Officer,
SOUTH KANARA.

Office of the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards
Madras
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The attention of the Executive officer, Kankanadi pt. is drawn to this office N Dis. 8092/55 d 26-2-55

For Inspector

To the E.O. Kankanadi pt.

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Roc.No. 621/54.

Resubmitted to the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards, Madras with a copy of this office Roc.No. 621/54 dated 6-1-1955.

OFFICE OF THE KARKALA
PANCHAYAT, 30-5-1955.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

Roc.No. 621/54.

OFFICE OF THE KARKALA PANCHAYAT,
Dated 6-1-1955.

From

Sri R.H.Shenai, B.A.,L.T.,
President,
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara District.

To

The Assistant Secretary to
Government, P.W.Department,
Fort St. George,
M A D R A S.

Sir,

Sub:- Electricity--South Kanara District--Karkala Panchayat--
Expedition of the revision of the existing tarrifs
and the abolition of surcharges--Requested.

Ref:-Your Memo No. 76536P/54-2 dated 15-11-1954.

This Panchayat in its resolution No. 323 dated 24-12-1954 has resolved to request the Department of Electricity to expedite the revision of the existing tarrifs and to abolish surcharges. A copy of the resolution is enclosed herewith.

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PRESIDENT.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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Office of the Inspector
of Mu. Els. and Local Bds.
Madras

N. Dis. 24773/55 d 1/7-6-55

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For Inspector

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To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras

11 Rev. D. P.S.

Memo No. 5101/ P/55-1 dt 29-6-55

Sub: Electricity – Karkala Panchayat – Representation for reduction of rates of supply

Ref: from the Executive Officer Karkala Panchayat, ROC. No. 621/54 d. 18-4-53

The Executive Officer, Karkala Panchayat is informed that orders approving the continuance of the ex-Udipi licensee's tariffs and conditions of supply, without the 50% war cost surcharge thereon, for the supply of electricity made by the Govt. Elec. Dept. in the area of the Udipi Electrical Undertaking have since been issued in G.O Ms. No. 1873 P.W. d. 12-5-55; copy of which is enclosed.

28/6/55

To the Executive Officer
Karkala Panchayat,
South Kanara Dt. through
the President, Panchayat Board,
Karkala. (with copy of G.O.
at p. 43 ff. (A))

Copy to the Secretary of Municipal Councils & Local Boards
W.T. & his No. N.D. 24773/53
d. 13-6-55

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